



# Section IX Athletics

Gregory Ransom, Executive Director

## Section IX Athletic Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 20, 2017

Apple Greens Golf Course Restaurant

8:00 AM

### Minutes

1. Call to order: Greg Ransom  
All members present except: David Bernsley, Rosario Agostaro, Sean Michael, Michael Bellarosa and David Coates

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Greg Ransom

3. Review of Meeting Materials – Jim Osborne

4. Motion to approve the May 23, 2017 Minutes  
Motion to approve was made by John Landro, 2nd by Toni Woody.

All in favor. Motion Carried.

5. Financial Report: Jim Osborne  
Motion to approve was made by Joe Phelan, second by Dr. Ivan Katz.

All in favor. Motion carried.

6. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives- Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe. Items will be reviewed from the leagues.

7. NYSPHSAA Office Report by Greg Ransom:

Greg reviewed the phone conference agenda and information that was discussed by the Section Executive Directors. In particular the Duration of Competition and the APP for K-8 school students was discussed.

The addition/change that was made by the Board of Regents and the Commissioner had to do with “Social and Emotional” language. SED was asked for guidelines for the school districts to use in reviewing each case.

In regard to the APP and K-8 school districts questions were asked about Friend and Neighbor schools. Greg Ransom stated he would follow up with Robert Zayas on this issue and he would discuss the process with the school districts involved.

8. Combining of Teams- Antonia Woody and Tim Bult:

Tim reviewed the additional schools that were going to “shadow” in 2017-2018.

Motion by Tim Bult and second by Toni Woody to approve Chester (host) with Tuxedo in the following sports: JV and Varsity Football, JV and Varsity Girls/Boys Soccer, Varsity Wrestling, JV and Varsity Girls/Boys Basketball, and JV Softball.

All in favor. Motion carried.

9. Back from the Leagues:

Motion by John Landro, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Toni Woody to approve the following:

#1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6, #8, #9 and #11.

(1) Consideration to amend NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame voting procedures, application deadline and supporting document information.

(2) Consideration of revisions to NYSPHSAA Transgender Guidelines.

(3) Consideration of approval for Boys Volleyball to abide by NCAA scoring at the varsity level.

(4) Consideration of approval to revise the Girls Volleyball Classification cut off numbers for the Fall 2018 season.

(5) Consideration of approval of Girls Soccer Regional Rotations.

(6) Consideration of approval to no longer require an end of the year report including data on disqualification in Girls and Boys Soccer, to be sent to the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Coordinator.

(8) Consideration of approval for Ice Hockey to abide by the NFHS Ice Hockey Rule for time periods (17 minutes) and penalties (2/5 and 10 minutes) to begin with 2018-2019 season.

(9) Consideration of approval for a reduction in participation numbers from 14 to 12 for Eight Men Football.

(11) 5 Class Tournaments with Proposed Adjusted cut off members - AA 965, A 500-964, B 270-499, C 150-269, D 149 and below.

All in Favor of the Motion. Motion carries.

(7) Motion by Tim Bult, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Landro to approve,  
Consideration for the Ice Hockey Championships (Semi-Finals & Finals)  
to have 2 Referees and 2 Linesmen.

5 Yes votes and 6 No votes with 2 abstains, Motion defeated.

(10) Motion by Tim Bult, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Ivan Katz to approve consideration for Modified Sports in Section VII to mirror the high school start date.

The Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> were withdrawn, no further action taken.

(12) Wrestling Items were postponed until the September Section IX Meeting.

- (13) Motion by Fred Ahart, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Landro to approve ineligible students permission to practice during their period of ineligibility as per the Transfer Rule. 5 Yes votes and 6 No votes with 2 abstains, Motion defeated.

10. Spring Chair Reports:

- a. Baseball – Jeremey Weber and James Ryan:

Congratulations to the Section IX winners especially Kingston – AA, SS Seward Institute – D, for their participation in the NYSPHSAA Tournament. The chairperson thanked Cantine Field and Gruner Field for the use of the facilities.

Back to the Leagues-

- (1) With League/Section approval of a game ending procedure run rule and increase the maximum number of games to 22.
- (2) Approval to adjust the Regional rotation.

- b. Softball – Tom Cassata:

Tom thanked Rhinebeck and Middletown for the use of their facilities for the Section IX and Regional Contests. The Section IX Champions were congratulated as was Pine Plains for reaching the NYSPHSAA Tournament.

- c. Boys Golf – Tom Howe:

Tom submitted a written report that was given by Mike Kroemer.

Back to the Leagues-

Discuss and vote on the use of push/pull carts in the MHAL and OCIAA during their Leagues and Tournaments for 2017-2018. Consideration should be made for feasibility in transportation of the integrity for the demands of the sport.

- d. Girls Golf – Bill Earl:

Bill congratulated the Section IX Champions and the NYSPHSAA participants. The Girls Golf Committee is looking at Apple Greens for 2018 Tournament and feedback from the leagues regarding tie breaking bylaw change.

- e. Boys Lacrosse- Bob Slate:

Bob thanked Middletown, Marlboro, and Dietz Stadium for the use of their facilities. He congratulated the Section IX Champions. The 2018 NYSPHSAA Tournament Schedule is as follows:

Sub Regionals – May 30, 2018 Section IX @ II

Regionals – June 2, 2018

Semi Finals – June 6, 2018

Finals – June 9, 2018 @ St. John Fisher College, Rochester, NY

The senior All-Star contest was held June 8, 2018 at NFA. Boy's Lacrosse donated \$100.00 to the Shootout for Soldiers of Hudson Valley.

(F) Girls Lacrosse- Wendy Crandall:

Wendy Crandall submitted a written report that was read by Greg Ransom. Wendy is looking for a co-chair person to help with the tournament. Greg Ransom stated all interested applicants should submit a letter of interest to Section IX Athletics.

(G) Boys Tennis – Urvashi Gupta:

Urvashi reported on the Section IX and NYSPHSAA Tournament. Congratulated the Champions and Thanked Match Point, Goshen, N.Y. for hosting the tournament.

(H) Track and Field- Matthew Hemmer and Brian Halling:

The coordinators gave their Girls and Boys finals report. They thanked Middletown and Washingtonville for hosting the Section IX and State Qualifiers. The Class Champions for the Girls and Boys were announced.

#### 11. Fall Chair Report:

(a) Cross Country – James Glover and Joe Cahill. Matt Hemmer reported the handbook will be online soon but please note the Section IX Championship will be held Nov 3, 2017 @ Bear Mountain State Park.

(b) Football – David Coates

Tom Cassata reported that the Heads Up Football Clinic was being conducted @ MW today June 20, 2017. The handbook will be online.

(c) Boys Soccer – Pete Ferguson and Tony Martelli

(d) Girls Soccer – Diane Wanser

A written report was read regarding Section IX seed meeting and championship dates. Diane Wanser reported the Handbook is online. The Seed Meeting is October 18, 2017 at Hudson Valley Sports Dome.

Class D Boys 4 pm, D Girls 6 pm @ Fallen Field 10/23/17  
Class C Girls 4 pm, C Boys 6 pm @ Fallen Field 10/24/17  
Class B Boys 4 pm, B Girls, 6 pm @ Fallen Field 10/25/17  
Class AA Boys 3 pm @ Fallen Field 10/26/17  
Class AA Girls 3pm @ Fallen Field 10/27/17  
Class A Girls 2 pm, A boys 4 pm @ Wallkill H.S 10/28/17

Regional Dates, Times and Sites TBA

(e) Field Hockey- Debra Beam

Debra requested approval for Senior All-Star Contest on Nov 8, 2017.

Motion to approve by Tim Bult, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Landro. All in favor, motion carried.

The Handbook is online. The Playday is scheduled for Thursday, August 24, 2017 with Section IX Tournament scheduled for the week of Oct 24-26, 2017 at Dietz Stadium. Section IX will play Section IV, Sunday Nov 5, 2017 at Diet Stadium –Regional Contests.

Please review Rule Changes that were sent to all Field Hockey schools.

(f) Girls Tennis – Selina DeCicco

Selina reviewed the 2017 Tournament to be held at Match Point in Goshen, NY on October 24-25, 2017.

(g) Volleyball – Antonia Woody

Toni reported the Handbook is online with the sites set up for the Section IX and Regional Contests.

(h) Girls Swimming – Pat Ryan

Pat reported the Handbook and information is online.

## 12. Chair Reports:

(a) Girls and Boys Modified Sports- Jermey Weber and Michelle Henn

No report at this time.

(b) Safety- Janet Carey – No report at this time

(c) Chemical Health – Marco Lanzoni reported the committee was meeting this afternoon and he will give his final report as soon as possible. Motion by Toni Woody, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Phelan to accept with regret Marco Lanzoni's resignation from the committee.

All in favor, motion carried.

(d) Eligibility – Fred Ahart thanked Toni Woody for all of her help, support and years of service to the committee.

(e) Officials Coordinator – Dennis Burkett

Dennis reported that Section IX could have a new contract by August.

(f) Sportsmanship – Adam Kless

No report at this time.

(g) Unified Sports – Rick Silverstein reported on Section IX first Unified Sport Season. Greg Ransom congratulated everyone who was involved in the program. He thanked Monroe-Woodbury for hosting the championship.

### 13. New Business

Suzanne Lenzian reported on Cheerleading. The first meeting of the Section IX Cheerleading Judges Assn. will take place – Sunday, June 25, 2017 at 2290 Route 52, Pine Bush, NY starting at 6:00 pm. Anyone interested should attend. Also there will be no Fall Rules Interpretation Meeting for Cheerleading.

Dennis Burkett presented Toni Woody with a plaque for her 18 years of service working with the MHAL and Section IX Athletic Council. Toni has been a very valuable contributor to the MHAL and Section IX. Congratulations, Toni Woody.

### 14. Old Business

### 15. Adjournment of Section IX Meeting.

Next Section IX Meeting date:  
September 12, 2017, 9:30 am @ Coleman Catholic High School.

Mandated NYSPHSAA Athletic Director Workshop will be- Tuesday, September 19, 2017, 9:30 am @ Wallkill High School.

Respectfully submitted,

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